CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE SB 1109 - HB 1601

March 24, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Board of Probation and Parole to establish policies and procedures whereby probation and parole officers may lawfully carry handguns during the course of their employment. Such policies and procedures will require that each officer who wishes to carry a handgun undergo TBI and FBI background checks and firearm training and certification equivalent to that required of the highway patrol.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On March 11, 2003, we issued a fiscal note on this bill *indicating a not* significant increase in state expenditures.

Based upon the receipt of additional information, the fiscal impact is estimated to be:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$300,000

Estimate assumes:

- expenditures for psychological testing, firearm training equivalent to a law enforcement officer; firearms and associated equipment will be paid by the Board of Probation and Parole for all officers to carry a handgun. Currently, only pre-employment criminal background checks are conducted but no psychological testing. Training and firearm requirements would be significantly more than standard handgun permits.
- the liability incurred by the Board of Probation and Parole will require additional allocation to be paid to the Claims Award Fund.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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